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	closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.						
Disposition	•						
4)⊠ CI	aim(s) 1-25 is/are pending in the application.						
	4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.						
	5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.						
	6) Claim(s) is/are rejected.						
7) CI	aim(s) is/are objected to.						
8)⊠ CI	aim(s) <u>1-25</u> are subject to restriction and/or e	election requirement.					
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9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.							
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a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:							
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Election/Restrictions

- 1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:
- I. Claims 1-8, drawn to a method for optically isolating a radio frequency component of a transceiver, classified in class 398, subclass 135.
- II. Claims 9-16, drawn to a wireless device, classified in class 398, subclass118.
- III. Claims 17-25, drawn to a system comprises a controller, classified in class 398, subclass 94.
- 2. The inventions are distinct, each from other because of the following reasons: Inventions I and II are unrelated. Inventions are unrelated if it can be shown that they are not disclosed as capable of use together and they have different modes of operation, different functions, or different effects (MPEP § 806.04, MPEP § 808.01). In the instant case the different inventions are unrelated because invention I is related to a method for optically isolating a radio frequency component of a transceiver. Invention II related to an wireless device comprises a radio frequency component, a lower frequency component to operate at a frequency lower than radio frequency and an optical link to link said components.

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- 3. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.
- 4. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and the search required for Group I is not required for Group II or group II, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.
- 5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dzung D Tran whose telephone number is (571) 272-3025. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00 AM 7:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jason Chan can be reached on (571) 272-3022. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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